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TO : Assistant Director for Operations

FROM : Acting Chief, Foreign Documents Division

SUBJECT: FDD Monthly Progress Report - July 1952

DATE: 8 August 1952

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1. A requirement for additional Soviet press coverage of agricultural information is anticipated due to the termination of such service [redacted] Conference with ORR, Department of State, and other members of the Agriculture Subcommittee of Economic Intelligence indicated a desire that FDD take over this work. This would increase the workload in this field about 100 per cent.

2. A staff study on the indexing of scientific articles in Soviet publications was the subject of an informal meeting of FDD and OSI personnel. [redacted] However, FDD may be required to maintain the scientific institutions files as an operational expedient.

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3. Chief, Scientific/Technical Branch, FDD, was named secretary of an ad hoc committee on SIC Project 11/2, Russian-English Scientific and Technical Dictionary. This committee works with [redacted] Department of the Air Force has requested such a dictionary for several years.

4. FDD participation in assisting the Post Office Department to comply to the McCarran Act has been under consideration. Decision on such participation is still pending.

5. Reverse translations were performed for OPC, Office of Training, and for Communications.

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[redacted]

Commentaries on German films were provided Graphics Register on two occasions. Similar service was provided for Department of State in reviewing Chinese and Korean films on Kojé prisoners of war.

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Arrangements were completed for the loan of [redacted] [redacted] for special overseas assignment on temporary duty with OPC.

FDD will evaluate Chinese language training materials to be used by ORR, through agreement between Chief, FDD, and the Office of Training.

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Two of the Division's Russian linguists, [ ] and [ ] have prepared Russian-language recordings for use of the Office of Training. More such recordings will be made. [ ] is being used as a Russian-language instructor on part-time loan to the Office of Training. 25X1A

6. Commendations.

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[ ]  
From NIS Staff, DRF, OIR, Department of State, for [ ] on the provisional regulations on organization of the People's courts of China.

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From [ ] office of DD(P), for timely translation of [ ] notebook.

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From [ ] Chief, RQM, OIS, for English to [ ] translation of material on Soviet security.

7. Ten offices made 34 inquiries regarding 840 items for Document Exploitation File surveys. Fifty-two potential cases of duplication were prevented. Three subject surveys identified 13 pertinent reports. Eight hundred scientific listings were transmitted to OSI.

8. First 1952 issue of Izvestiya Akademii Nauk SSR, Otdeleniye Khimicheskikh Nauk (News of the Academy of Sciences USSR, Department of Chemical Sciences) was received through CIA Library. Subscription to this had been denied for 1952.

9. Procurement support of the several CIA offices and departments represented in the IAC has continued satisfactory.

Most noteworthy were as follows:

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[ ] provided 233 Bulgarian newspapers.  
[ ] furnished 63 Viet Minh publications.  
[ ] continued to supply numerous Chinese Communist and USSR publications [ ] 25X1C

Army support was generous, in particular Eurasian Branch, G-2, supplied 1,485 USSR publications for retention and 106 USSR periodicals on loan.

Navy supplied 297 German publications among which were numerous Sovzone publications

10. A group from Air Technical Intelligence Center observed FDD's methods for processing foreign language documents. A member of this group remarked:

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"FDD is the only intelligence organization in the Washington area that seems to possess the know-how for handling foreign language documents."

11. Noteworthy reports:

A report complying to the ONE psychological warfare request was filed on 10 July, and a supplement was completed 31 July.

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Peiping medical and hospital personnel criticized for political indifference

Development of Free German Youth Movement

Korean Labor Party controls NK government, military, institutions

Plans for Sofia construction projects

-- Latest information on the Volga - Don Canal

USSR Radio Day reviews progress of radiofication

Prophylaxis of dysentery in the USSR

Q - 467 -- 1952 raw materials plan for DGR pig-iron production

12. Attached are details as follows:

Appendix A -- Statistical Report on FDD Operations

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Statistical Report on FDD Operations

Details on Personnel Actions

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